PROCEEDINGS
of
THE TRAVANCORE SRI MULAM ASSEMBLY.

OFFICIAL REPORT.

SECOND ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION,
1113/1938.

The Assembly met in the Victoria Jubilee Town Hall at 11 of the clock on Tuesday the 19th July 1938/4th Karkatakam 1113 with Sachivottama Sir C. P. Ramaswami Aiyar, K. C. I. E., in the Chair.

MEMBERS SWORN

The following members were sworn in :

1. Mr. A. Gopala Menon, (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*).
2. Mr. P. S. Nilacanta Aiyar (*Co-opted*)
3. Mr. P. Parameswaran Pillai (*Ag. Registrar of Co-operative Societies*).
4. Mr. P. Raman Pillai, (*Ag. Conservator of Forests*)
5. Mr. R. Ramasubba Sastri (*Co-opted*)

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Irregularities in the Malayattur Forest Division.

101. *MR. K. P. KOCHUKORATHARAKAN (*Kunnatnad* cum *Parur*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they are aware of any irregularities in the Thaltakattu Section of the Kothamangalam Range in the Malayattur Forest Division ;

(*b*) if so, the action taken in the matter ;

(*c*) whether they have received a petition on 6-7-1112, another petition and a telegram on 3-9-1112 and again a petition on 7-1-1113 ;

(*d*) whether they have taken any action after they received the first two petitions ;

(*e*) whether the Conservator or the Division Officer has inspected the place, and if so, when ;

(*f*) whether the depositions of the above said petitioners have been taken ;

(*g*) if so, whether the place has been inspected in accordance with the depositions, and if so, who inspected the place, and the date of such inspection ;

(*h*) whether they had deputed anybody to inspect the place and to draw up a mahazar ;

(*i*) whether a mahazar has accordingly been prepared, and if so whether they will lay on the table a copy of it ;

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(*j*) if such a mahazar has been prepared, whether any action has been taken in accordance with it; if so, the nature of the action taken;

(*k*) if a mahazar has been prepared as mentioned above, the amount of loss found to have been sustained by the Government; and

(*l*) whether they have taken any action on the petition dated 7-1-1113, and if so, what?

MR. P. RAMAN PILLAI (*Ag. Conservator of Forests*): (*a*) Some petitions were received containing allegations about certain illicit fellings in the forests of the Thattakad Section of the Neriamangalam Range.

(*b*) Necessary enquiries have been made and the matter is now under the consideration of Government.

(*c*) Petitions were received on the dates specified but no telegram.

(*d*) Yes.

(*e*) The Divisional Forest Officer inspected the place on 23-2-1113.

(*f*) Yes.

(*g*) Yes. Ranger Mr. Kunjukutten Raja and the Range Officer, Neriamangalam, inspected the place on the 22nd, 23rd, 24th and 26th Medom 1112.

(*h*) No.

(*i*) Mahazars have been prepared by the officers who inspected the place, but these cannot be placed on the table, the matter being still under consideration.

(*j*) The matter is under consideration.

(*k*) The mahazars prepared do not estimate the loss sustained by Government.

(*l*) An enquiry was ordered on the petition.

Assignment of salt pans in 1112 and 1113.

102. ***MR. K. P. KOCHUKORATHARAKAN**: Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statements showing:

(*a*) whether any salt pans have been assigned to any person during the years 1112 and 1113;

(*b*) if so, to whom;

(*c*) whether they are Travancoreans;

(*d*) if not, they are citizens of which place, their names, the number of acres of land assigned and the receipts of the Government under that item;

(*e*) whether there is any amount still to be recovered from any such person; and

(*f*) if so, from whom and what amount?

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR (*Ag. Excise Commissioner*): (*a*) Salt pans have not been assigned to any person. But lands have been granted on lease to persons for the construction and working of salt factories during the years 1112 and 1113.

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